(f) Execution and implementation of these projects is the responsibility of the State Government.

Expenditure on opening of Hotel Management and Catering Institutes in Uttaranchal

†2750. PROF. R.B.S. VARMA: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item published in the New Delhi edition "Dainik Jagaran" on 28th February 2003 captioned "Uttaranchal Sanskritik Va Dharmik Nursery: Jagmohan";

(b) if so, the names of other two places besides Dehradun where three nation level Hotel mangement and Catering Institutes sanctioned by Government are proposed to be opened;

(c) the expenditure incurred on the above scheme so far; and

(d) by when, the said work is likely ot be completed?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) The news item, "Uttaranchal Desh Ki Sanskritik Va Dharmik Nursery: Jagmohan" appeared on 25th February 2003.

(b) In addition to Dehradun, IHMs are proposed to be set up in the newly formed states of Chattisgarh and Jharkhand. Also, an IHM has been sanctioned in Kurukshetra.

(c) The Building work of IHM, Dehradun has been sanctioned for an amount of Rs. 6.35 Crore as per cost estiamtes of CPWD and a sum of Rupees Twenty thousand was released in March 2003. The work has not yet started.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(d) The State Government of Uttaranchal has been requested to expedite the finalisation of building plans/architectural drawings etc., so that the building works are completed at the earliest.

Funds allocated for development of tourism in NE and Hill Districts of U.P. and W.B.

2751. SHRI LALIT SURI: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the Central assistance given to each of the North Eastern States, and for the hill districts of Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal under the Centrally Assisted Schemes for the development of tourism during the years, 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and so far during 2002-2003; year-wise; and

(b) the extent to which the assistance was utilized and the actual developmental work done in each state during the period?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) The Department of Tourism, Government of India provides financial assistance every year to the State Governments/UT Administrations for development of infrastructural facilities in the country. The details of financial assistance sanctioned during the years 2000-01, 2001-02 and 2002-03 to the North Eastern States and the States of Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal including hill districts are annexed.

(b) The number of projects completed is given in the enclosed Statement.